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PAL Day at City Hall has been connecting PAL students with government and city officials for 48 years and the 49th edition was a poignant one. Philly police officer Ernie Rehr is retiring this year and has been an integral part of PAL programming for generations of students. I got to talk to him about some of his fondest memories working with PAL, the organization that helps build connections in communities between law enforcement and the youth that live in them, and works to build foundations for a better tomorrow. Read more inside and at **metrophilly.us**.

Former Air Force officer faces spy charges

1 U.S. authorities on Wednesday charged former Air Force intelligence officer Monica Witt with helping Iran launch a cyber-spying operation that targeted her former colleagues after she defected from the United States. The U.S. Justice Department said Witt, 39, assembled dossiers on eight U.S. military intelligence agents she had worked with for Iranian hackers, who then used Facebook and e-mail to try to install spyware on their computers. She defected to Iran in 2013 and presumably still lives there, U.S. officials said. "She decided to turn against the United States and shift her loyalty to Iran," said Jay Tabb, the FBI's executive assistant director for national security. "Her primary motivation appears to be ideological." Washington also charged four Iranian nationals who it said were involved in the cyberattacks.

Wary of shutdown, Trump inches toward deal support

2 President Donald Trump on Wednesday edged toward backing a deal in Congress on government funding that would not meet his demand for $5.7 billion for a wall on the Mexican border but would avert a partial government shutdown. Trump, widely blamed for a five-week shutdown that ended in January, said he did not want to see federal agencies close again because of fighting over funds for the wall, one of his signature campaign promises in the 2016 election. The Republican president did not commit himself to backing the government funding agreement struck between Democratic and Republican lawmakers this week. But two sources and a Republican senator close to the White House said he would likely sign off on it.

PROTESTS TURN DEADLY IN HAITI

3 Demonstrators march on the streets during demonstrations in the center of Haiti's capital, Port-au-Prince, part of a nearly weeklong protest against Haitian President Jovenel Moise and the misuse of Petrocaribe funds.

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NY fund manager pleads guilty to Belize airport scam

4 A New York investment manager pleaded guilty on Wednesday to running a $21.9 million fraud in which he falsely told dozens of investors their money was being used to build an international airport in Belize, the U.S. Department of Justice said. Brent Borland, 48, a principal at Borland Capital Group, pleaded to one count each of securities fraud, wire fraud and conspiracy before U.S. District Judge Katherine Polk Failla in Manhattan, the Justice Department said. The fraud counts each carry a maximum 20-year prison term. A federal public defender representing Borland did not immediately respond to a request for comment. Prosecutors said Borland promised double-digit rates of return for providing temporary "bridge" financing for the airport in Placencia, roughly 110 miles south of Belize City.

Ryan Adams calls NYT accusations 'inaccurate'

5 Singer Ryan Adams on Wednesday called a New York Times article about him "upsettingly inaccurate" but said he was "not a perfect man" and apologized to anyone he had hurt. Adams, 44, was responding on Twitter to a story in which seven women, including his ex-wife actress Mandy Moore, accused him of manipulative behavior and of pursuing female artists for sex. "I am not a perfect man and I have made many mistakes. To anyone I have ever hurt, however unintentionally, I apologize deeply and unreservedly," Adams tweeted. "But the picture that this article paints is upsettingly inaccurate. Some of its details are misrepresented; some are exaggerated; some are outright false. I would never have inappropriate interactions with someone I thought was underage. Period," he added.

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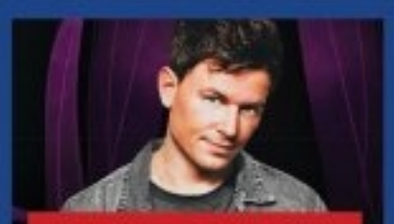

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Mayor Jim Kenney, center-left, presents a citation to Officer Ernie Rehr Jr., center, joined by City Rep. Sheila Hess, right, and other guests. PROVIDED

PAL Day at City Hall honors retiring Philly officer

For one day, students got to shadow and act as the government and city officials they learn from.

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Mayor Jim Kenney and other government officials hosted the 49th annual PAL (Police Athletic League) Day at City Hall on Wednesday, an event that brings PAL students together with government and city officials to shadow them for a day.

One major difference with this year's event is that it was the last for the man behind much of PAL's programming: Philadelphia Police Department Officer Ernie Rehr Jr. was honored for his 34 years of service and his 28 years of working with students as a PAL supervising officer on Wednesday.

After decades of work, Rehr has fond memories of working with PAL students.

"PAL Day at City Hall brings to mind a lot of memories, including back in '92 when Mayor [Ed] Rendell was here and a PAL girl was mayor for the day. Mayor Rendell got a phone call and said, 'I can't talk to you. I have to get the acting mayor.' He handed the phone to the young lady and it was the governor," Rehr recalled. "If you multiply that by so many years and so many kids, it's just an unbelievable experience for the boys and girls of PAL."

Poignant memories from Rehr concisely sum up the importance of PAL Day.

"When I first came to PAL in '91, I was told I had to be a national PAL basketball coach for the 14-and-under national team, which meant it was up to me to put together teams from all of the different PAL centers to go all over the country to play for the national championships," Rehr said.

Mayor Kenney, himself a former PAL student during his time growing up in South Philly, is a major proponent for PAL's work in helping build community bonds. "When I was a kid growing up, my parents always told me that if you have a difficulty out in the street or felt lost or unsafe, find a police officer," Kenney said. "A police officer will get you to where you need to be. Over the years that isn't always the case with every family in our city. What PAL does is bridge those gaps and connects police to our kids and our communities."

PAL operates 19 community centers throughout Philadelphia and focuses on bridging the gap between law enforcement and local youth with sports leagues, afterschool programming and mentorship.

As part of the day's activities, students participated in speed networking with different government and city officials, broke for a lunch, and then joined the official that they were individually paired with to learn from for a day.

Joe Enslin, 17, has been involved with the Rizzo PAL center for 10 years and is fond of the connections it builds in the community. "It brings everyone together and everyone knows everybody," Enslin said. "I want to go into a carpenter's union, stay around to make sure things are good around here and be around family."

Enslin was paired with Councilman Allan Domb, another local official who heavily advocates for PAL in the community. "PAL is great because it's a great connector of the police and our young kids in a very positive way," Domb said. "Today is a great day because kids get to see how government works."

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Opinions split after Council votes down bill to ban pharma gifts

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People have differing views on one of Philadelphia City Council's more high-profile votes last week: Either a dirty, nefarious industry scored a victory, or a proposal intended to fight addiction that really just hampered physicians and the city, lost.

The vote in question was on a bill that would ban gifts to doctors in Philly from sales reps; require sales reps to register with the city; and allow the city's Health Department to review pharma marketing materials, among other provisions.

It failed to pass, 9-5. Two City Council members, Blondell Reynolds Brown and Cherelle Parker, abstained from the vote due to being members of the Independence Blue Cross Public Policy and External Affairs Advisory Board.

"I thought it was a no-brainer," City Councilwoman Cindy Bass said. "I can't imagine how many people could not have supported this, I can't understand why this got the number of 'no' votes that it received. This is something we could have done to take back some level of control, and we did not do it."

As with many subjects around the opioid epidemic, passions are strong. Philadelphia is one of many U.S. cities now suing major pharmaceutical corporations in civil court, alleging they share some responsibility for the addictions and fatal overdose rates that have caused thousands of deaths in Philadelphia, along with spikes in homelessness and drug crime. Fatal overdose rates in Philadelphia in recent years have vastly exceeded homicide rates, with more than 1,000 deaths in 2018.

Bass, along with co-sponsor Councilman Bill Greenlee, introduced the bill on Oct. 11, which they said was backed up just months later by a January 2019 study in the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) which found "increased county-level opioid marketing was associated with elevated overdose mortality."

Dr. Patrick J. Brennan, chief medical officer and senior vice president of the University of Pennsylvania Health System, testified in support of the bill at Council on Feb. 7.

"Decades of study make it clear that meetings between doctors and sales reps lead to changes in the way physicians prescribe medications, and let's be clear, these meetings are about sales, not about education," Brennan said, pointing out that Penn Medicine banned pharma gifts to physicians 13 years ago, but still has healthy collaborations with the industry. "We prohibit gifts, however small, because independence, transparency and trust are crucial in the patient-provider relationship."

But Christopher Molineaux, president and CEO of Life Sciences Pennsylvania, said the provisions of the bill were deeply flawed.

He called the proposed registration fee for sales reps "a tax" that would affect reps selling all drugs, not just opioids; said pharma marketing is already reviewed by the FDA; and argued that the implication behind a gift ban of rampant quid pro quos in the medical industry was offensive.

"They're basically suggesting these doctors can be bribed with a coffee mug, pen or a bagel into prescribing these addictive, dangerous drugs. I think its insulting to physicians," Molineaux said. "I have a lot more faith in our physicians than that."

Greenlee attributed the bill's failure in part to what he called "threats" from the pharma industry to pull out of conventions in Philadelphia. SAM NEWHOUSE

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Artist and anti-gun activist Manny Oliver (R) and wife Patricia (C), the parents of Stoneman Douglas High School shooting victim Joaquin Oliver, listen as Joaquin's girlfriend Victoria Gonzalez (L) speaks. ALL GETTY IMAGES

For Parkland survivors, a year of political gains and unresolved pain

Thursday marks one year since the high school shooting.

A year after the deadliest high school shooting in U.S. history, students from Florida's Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School look back with pride on the network they have built to stem the country's epidemic of gun violence through the ballot box.

Even so, it has been difficult for many to come to terms with the trauma of Feb. 14, 2018, when a former Stoneman student with an assault gun massacred 17 people at the Parkland, Florida, campus.

"There's definitely not a day that goes by where I'm not thinking about it, and I know for a fact that everyone that has to walk through those campus gates is thinking about it," said junior Caitlynn Tibbetts.

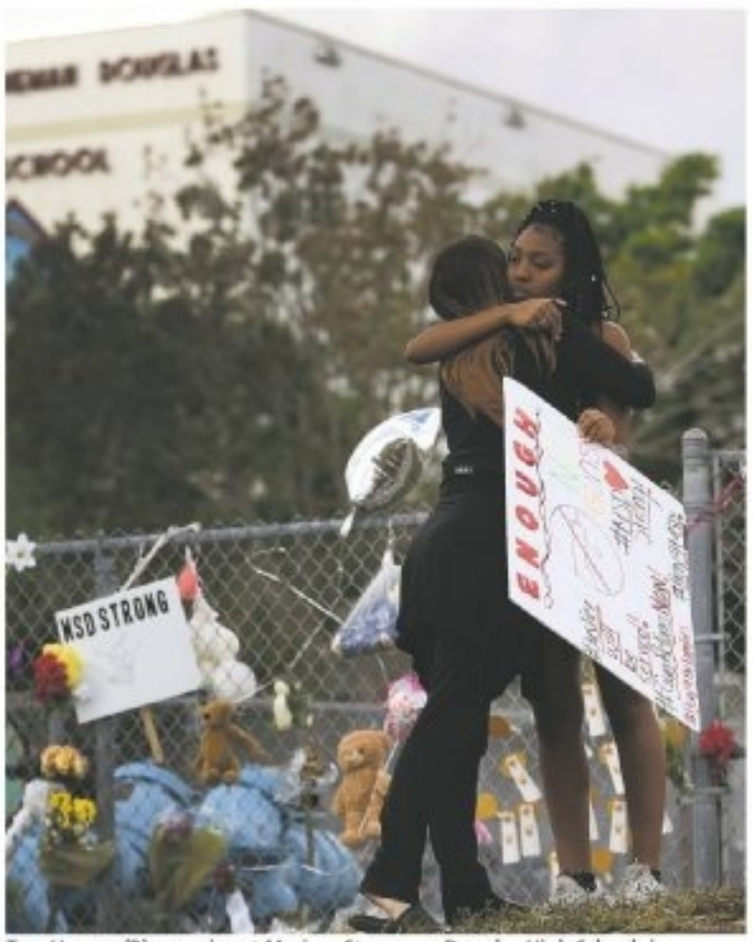
The student campaign in support of gun control, which featured a massive march on Washington and in other cities around the country, resulted in the formation of a sprawling national network called March for Our Lives.

With some 500 chapters, it has linked tens of thousands of student activists in pushing for political candidates who support their goals of new measures to reduce gun violence.

"We have to replace these terrible actors who are comfortable putting our lives at risk for a check from the NRA," said Matt Deitsch, the group's chief strategist, referring to the National Rifle Association, which opposes what it considers any retreat on gun rights.

Deitsch, along with Emma Gonzalez, David Hogg, Delaney Tarr and Jaclyn Corin, is among the most prominent Stoneman students who have toured the nation to encourage young people to register and vote for pro-gun control candidates.

By "terrible actors," Deitsch was referring to political incumbents who oppose the group's goals, which include a ban on assault weapons. It also backs funding for gun violence research and supports universal background checks, dis-



Tyra Hernan (R), a senior at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, is hugged by Rachael Buto in front of the school where 17 people were killed.

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People attend a candlelight memorial service for the victims of the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School.

arming domestic abusers and enacting laws to staunch gun trafficking.

"The fact that gun violence is a top issue for the first time ever is something that should scare the people arrayed against us," Deitsch, 21, said with evident pride.

Having put together a multimillion-dollar war chest, with the help of A-list celebrities like George Clooney, Oprah Winfrey and Steven Spielberg, the network aims to expand to thousands of high schools and colleges by the end of 2019, giving it even more clout going into the 2020 election.

On Monday, activists were to launch a petition campaign to put an assault weapons ban on Florida's ballot in the 2020 election. March for Our Lives leader Hogg, among the first Stoneman students to call for greater gun control in the hours after the shooting, was expected to attend the campaign kickoff, along with parents of some of the victims. The petition needs 800,000 signatures.

"I'M A HUMAN BEING"

Success has come at a cost for the student activists. Since last year's shooting, many have not had enough time to grieve or properly process the tragedy.

In a series of recent Twitter messages, Tarr, a March for Our Lives co-founder, reflected on having to put on a composed "performance" over the past year as a public figure on social media.

"We carry a heavy weight, and every single day there's another mass shooting in America, and we see ourselves as vessels amplifying what's going on in this country."

Matt Deitsch, chief strategist, March for Our Lives

"I can't sit back and let you think that I'm always fine, that I'm always ready to go. That's not realistic," she wrote. "I'm a human being and godd—n if all of this work and pain isn't hard."

The past year has brought more U.S. gun violence, complicating the task of recovery. In a shooting with echoes of Parkland, a gunman at Santa Fe High School in Texas killed 10 and wounded 14 on May 18. Months later, an anti-Semitic attack on the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh left 11 dead and six injured.

By the end of the year, that pair of shootings, combined with hundreds of others, left a total of 387 dead, according to the Gun Violence Archive.

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For many students, sharing their experiences, both broadly and with those who have gone through something similar, has been therapeutic, however.

Not long after the shooting, a publisher contacted Sarah Lerner, a journalism and English teacher at Stoneman, about publishing a book filled with reflections of that day and its aftermath.

"Parkland Speaks: Survivors from Marjory Stoneman Douglas Share Their Stories" was released late last month and includes 43 accounts of the shooting and what followed, including two pieces by Tibbetts, the junior.

"This book gave us the opportunity to look past politics and look at the heart of it," Tibbetts said. "And the heart of it is that we're struggling to move past it, but we're trying." REUTERS

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— **Rebecca Shrestha**, *Metro US reader*

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A SAD YET PROMISING WORLD

You know it is a sad world when you are seen by other passengers as the savior of humanity when you give up your seat on the train to an elderly person. It made me proud yet sad. I glanced around the train, I noticed an elderly beautiful woman who looked like she could use a seat. With a smile I gave up my seat to her after deciding she was the best "candidate." My heart skipped a beat when I saw her wide smile as if she was massively surprised. It is an expensive "commodity," a seat on the train. As happy as I was, I realized if I had not given up my seat, this nice lady would be standing all ride long. After four or five stops, she said, "I'm about to get off so you can have your seat back." I thanked her and said, "Enjoy the rest of your day." "You too, you deserve it," was her reply.

— **Muath Almaaiah**, *Metro US reader*

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♉ **Taurus** What and who you encounter now will greatly affect your next move and future opportunities.

♊ **Gemini** Keep an open mind, and offer an accurate assessment of what you witness.

♋ **Cancer** Go about your business, and refrain from adding your two cents' to a conversation that is likely to be controversial.

♌ **Leo** Accept the inevitable, and you will find a way to turn whatever you are faced with into something worth while.

♍ **Virgo** Get involved in something that motivates you. Participation will help jump-start your ideas and get you moving in a new and exciting direction.

♎ **Libra** Step outside your comfort zone if it will bring about positive change. Don't ignore something that is causing you stress.

♏ **Scorpio** Go to unfamiliar places or indulge in something that will enhance your knowledge and experience.

♐ **Sagittarius** Explore things that interest you. Personal improvements that challenge you to be your best should be your priorities.

♑ **Capricorn** If you don't pay attention, someone will make a change that will affect your home and family.

♒ **Aquarius** Your home should be welcoming. If something is wrong, it's up to you to make an adjustment.

♓ **Pisces** Look at what you can accomplish, and keep things in perspective. If you let minor annoyances bother you, it'll prevent you from your goals. EUGENIA LAST

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‘Avengers: Infinity War’ was even more ‘groundbreaking’ than we realized

The Russo Brothers talk us through the cinematic behemoth.

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“Avengers: Infinity War” felt groundbreaking for a number of reasons.

Of course, there was its gross of over $2 billion, while there was also the fact that it was the first half of what is expected to be the final story for at least one of the Avengers.

The mammoth haul and anticipation surrounding “Infinity War” and the upcoming “Endgame” mean that particular reasons why it triumphed can often get overlooked. That’s why it was so satisfying when “Infinity War” recently received an Oscar nomination for Best Visual Effects, which Dan DeLeeuw, Kelly Port, Russell Earl and Dan Sudick will contest.

But why does “Infinity War” deserve this Academy Awards recognition?

“These guys can break it down by the amount of time they didn’t see their families,” co-director Joe Russo jokes to Metro, before then pointing in the direction of Port, Earl, and DeLeeuw. “There are 2,703 cuts in the film. We worked on 2,623 of those. So there are only 80 shots that we didn’t touch,” explains DeLeeuw. “We had 14 visual-effects houses across the world working on it. There was Weta’s visual effects house down in New Zealand and then a smaller house in Hawaii in Maui. So there wasn’t a point during postproduction where ‘Infinity War’ wasn’t being worked on.”

The visual-effects work required was extensive, too, with Earl calling nearly all of the shots “full-scale crazy.”

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“A lot of the time you look at that number of shots and you know most of them will just be wire removals. All of these shots were big shots. There is all the space stuff and then there is Wakanda, which was shot on a horse farm. But all of it was replaced digitally. There is a great set built by our set designer. And then we had to destroy it. The rule of thumb was that if we built a massive location, we then had to destroy it.”

Then there was the ambitious finale. But did they ever try to scale back the action?

“There’s a 40-minute version of the Titan battle out there,” insists Port, which prompts Joe Russo to admit, “We had an edit for the whole movie that was twice as long.”

It wasn’t just in post-production where the visual effects shaped the film. Because DeLeuuw, Earl, Port and Sudick’s presentation of just how detailed and emotional they could make Josh Brolin as Thanos convinced the Russo Brothers to rewrite “Infinity War.”

“Until we started doing the experiments with Dan and the team, we didn’t hang the movie on Thanos to the degree we did,” says Anthony Russo. “Thanos was always the main villain. But we changed the relationship with his daughter Gamora. The complexity of that father-and-daughter relationship was something we chased once we knew that we could actually see Thanos’ heart break.”

“That’s the groundbreaking element of it,” surmises Joe. “We were able to hang the emotional arc of the story on a fully-CG, 8-foot character.”

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Why Amazon's 'Lorena' documentary series is so important

Lorena Bobbitt and Joshua Rofé explain why the series is so necessary right now.

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Between TNT's dramatization of a post-Black Dahlia-murder Los Angeles and Netflix's fascination with Ted Bundy, the true-crime renaissance is still well underway.

With executive producer Jordan Peele's "Lorena" documentary series on Amazon Prime, however, the zeitgeist is finally taking a strong (and necessary) turn toward the #MeToo movement.

That's because, as star Lorena Bobbitt and filmmaker Joshua Rofé explain the situation to Metro, the iconic tabloid news story of Lorena's actions against her then-husband John Wayne Bobbitt were all anyone cared about at the time. Even now, when asked about the Bobbitt story, most people will remember the fact that Lorena cut off John Wayne's penis and threw it into a field. Yet they won't remember any of the details that preceded it.

"It's been so amazing and incredible to see the public be so engaging to this story now," says Bobbitt, who now goes by the name Lorena Gallo. "Thanks to Joshua, everyone is finally getting to see what happens to the victims in these kinds of stories, and how traumatizing it all can be."

She is especially happy to see the positive reactions to the documentary series from critics and industry professionals alike at the Sundance Film Festival, where it screened ahead of its premiere.

"Back then, it felt like society had failed me. The media had failed me," she adds. "Now I feel justified. I feel that the story came out beautifully, based on the work that Joshua has done, and that's exactly how we wanted to portray it. We wanted to reach out to survivors, and not just survivors, but victims. We wanted to send a message to them with this, that they can be safe and that there is hope. There are communities of support out there for them. There's a light at the [end of the] dark tunnel and I've seen it."

Gallo had always been willing to tell her side of

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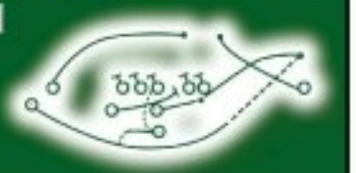

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the story whenever given the opportunity, but she had long been wary of most efforts to document it with as much detail as Rofé's series does. That's because, more often than not, most filmmakers had simply wanted to rehash the sensational nature of the story. Rofé, however, wanted to recast everything in a new and more thoughtful light.

The two immediately got to work on what would become Amazon's "Lorena" series, which Gallo insisted focus on domestic violence and how it figured into her story. Rofé agreed. When, 10 months into the production, the first Harvey Weinstein story broke in The New York Times, however, they realized just how important their work was going to be.

"I felt really empowered to speak out even more at that point," Gallo says. "I felt that this wasn't an issue that people were talking about enough. The reason why I did this documentary in the first place was I wanted to share my story so that others with similar experiences wouldn't have to go through what I did."

Gallo adds that her being a mother to a daughter who will soon be heading out into the world also influenced her decision to get involved.

"Eventually she's going to become an adult and will have to experience the world," she says. "I want her to feel free to walk around on her college campus without being afraid of being accosted or sexually assaulted by someone who will most likely get away with it."

"Lorena" premieres Friday on Amazon Prime.

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243 – Jim Higgins – Household Items; 245 – Shahida Jefferson – Household Goods, Clothes; 412 – Michael Schaeffer – Files, Seasonal, Toys; 108 – Jacquelyn O'Hara – Household Items; 24 – Flabious Price – Household Items; 346 – Teleisha Newman – Household Items; 613 – Antonio Benson – Household Items; 116 – Shaquille Daniel – Household Items

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Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell the contents of leased spaces to satisfy Extra Space's lien at the location indicated: **6204 Oxford Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111, February 20, 2019** at **2:15 PM**

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Every day is a *fiesta*

Johnny Mañana's opens this weekend.

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If you love flavorful Mexican-American cuisine, indulgently refreshing margaritas and a restaurant that doesn't break the bank, we have got the spot for you. Johnny Mañana's, located in the Goldtex ultra-luxury apartment building by Post Brothers, is opening this weekend, and all Philadelphians are invited to stop in and take their taste buds on a ride.

This Philadelphia Loft District hot spot will be serving up its famous five-dollar Mañana Classic margaritas and Mexican-American fare starting this Friday, Feb. 15. The

Johnny Mañana's offers a fun atmosphere.

4,000-square-foot space boasts plenty of character and personality with a 70-foot grand sweeping bar at the center, colorful and playful artwork, reclaimed wood, weathered textures, corrugated metals and Day of the Dead imagery to elevate the fiesta vibe.

"When you step inside Mañana's, we want you to leave your worries behind," said co-owner Tim Bonnie in a release. "Live for the moment and enjoy the party with us! Whether you are a resident in the building, a nearby neighbor or visiting us from across town, we look forward to hosting you and your friends and family."

Leaving your worries behind truly is easy when you step into the new eatery and take a peek at the menu. The menu is fresh and flavorful with Mexican and Southwestern eats at an accessible price. Each dish is traditionally delicious with a unique twist and there are gluten-free options as well. Delicious menu items include spicy seafood empanadas, jumbo lump crab cakes, firecracker jalepenos, tortilla soup, savory selections of tacos and much more.

If you come for the food, you'll stay for the drinks. Mañana's offers a great selection of margaritas ($5 for classic and an extra $2 for any flavors), an amazing abundance of cocktails, 75 different types of tequilas (by the Spring), 14 draft lines, a selection of cans and bottles, and more. Plus, when the weather gets warm, Philadelphians can sip on their refreshing treats outside: Mañana's is home to one of the city's largest sidewalk dining scenes with 32 seats.

Some may recognize Johnny Mañana's from its East Falls location, which opened up in 2001. Co-owners Tim Bonnie and Bianca DeSantis wanted to bring the beloved spot to the City of Brotherly Love and had been planning to do so since 2018.

"We wanted to bring back Johnny Mañana's and take the concept to the next level. This will be one of our largest Johnny Mañana's to date — and the space really fits the personality of what we wanted to achieve," said Bonnie in a release. "The name comes from a fictional character we created, 'Johnny,' who lives for today. He is the life of the party with a welcoming, charismatic and adventurous personality. He lives for the day and treasures time with friends and family. Every day is a fiesta! That is our goal here, for every day to be a celebration of good times, great food and drink, and an atmosphere that matches."

The Goldtex Building, where Johnny Mañana's is located, is in a prime location being in close proximity to the Rail Park, Reading Terminal Market and the Pennsylvania Convention Center. "The Goldtex Building was the perfect location. It is such an exciting time for the entire city's restaurant and bar scene, and we are excited to be part of that energy," said Bonnie.

Johnny Mañana's in the Goldtex Building is located at 315 N. 12th St. For more information, visit johnnymananas.net

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A New Sex Pill Takes the Spotlight as the Viagra Patent is About to Expire

A patented pill costing less than $1 a dose stands to help millions of men with failing sex lives; no prescription will be required

By Ray Wilson
Associated Health Press

AHP – A new sex pill is set to take the spotlight with the Viagra patent about to expire. But unlike the former, it won't require a prescription and is priced just under a $1 a dose.

The new pill called *Vesele* is part of a new class of performance enhancers for men, which work instantaneously on the body and mind triggering arousal and firmer, harder erections.

Formulated with a special compound known as an "accelerator", *Vesele* can transport its active ingredients faster and more efficiently into the blood stream, where it begins to work its magic.

The patented ingredient blend initiates a process known as vasodilation, which causes arteries and vessels throughout the body to expand. This allows blood to flow directly to penis and genitals, resulting in harder erections which last longer. Cialis and Viagra are based around a simlilar concept.

But what makes *Vesele* so remarkable, and what these other sex pills can't do, is that also directs a small portion of this blood flow to the brain, which creates feelings of intense arousal. In laymen's terms, users become incredibly excited and turned on.

This is why the makers of *Vesele* say their pill has worked so effectively in clinical trials. It stimulates the two most important organs for great sex, the penis and the brain.

The Brain Erection Connection

Until now, medical researchers did not fully understand the brain-erection connection. It has now been made clear with *Vesele*. When both are supplied with a constant blood flow, men are harder and firmer for longer...and have unbelievable sex drives.

"Most of the research and treatment methods for men's sexual failures have focused on physiological factors and have neglected the emotional ones. For the leading sex drugs to work, like Cialis and Viagra, you need visual stimulation" explains Dr. Henry Esber, the creator of *Vesele*.

"And although they work for some men, the majority experience absolutely no fulfillment during sex.

According to research published by the National Institute of Health, 50% of men taking these drugs stop responding or can't tolerate their side effects...and on top of that they spend $50 per pill and it doesn't even work half the time.

This is what makes *Vesele* so different and effective. It floods the blood stream with key ingredients which cause arteries all over the body to expand. The patented accelerator speeds up this process even more.

The result is a rush of blood flow to the penis and brain, helping to create an impressive erection and a surging desire for sex. Often, this is all men need to get going. And when taken regularly, many men say they are energized and aroused all day."

Great Sex At Any Age

With the conclusion of their latest human clinical use survey trial, Dr. Esber and his team are now offering *Vesele* in the US. And regardless of the market, its sales are exploding.

Men across the country are eager to get their hands on the new pill and according to the research, they should be.

In the trial above, as compared to baseline, men taking *Vesele* saw a staggering 85% improvement in erection hardness over a four-month period. Their erections also lasted twice as long.

These same men also experienced an astounding 82% increase in the desire for sex (libido/sex drive) and an even greater improvement in overall satisfaction and ability to satisfy their partners.

Many men taking *Vesele* described feeling horny and aroused through the day. The anticipation before sex was amazing. They were also easily turned on. Their moods were more upbeat and positive, too.

Faster Absorption into the Blood Stream

Vesele is made up of three specialized ingredients: two clinical strength vasodilators and a patented absorption enhancer often called an accelerator. According to an enormous amount of clinical data, each is very safe.

Research shows that with age, many men lose their desire and interest in sex. They also struggle to produce an erection firm enough for penetration.

And although there are many theories as to why this happens (including a loss in testosterone) one thing is certain, inadequate blood flow is virtually always to blame. That's why sex drug manufacturers focus on blood flow, it makes your erection hard.

But what's more surprising, and what these manufacturers have failed to consider, is that lack of blood flow can also kill your sex drive. That's because blood supplies energy for the brain. This energy is required for creating brainwaves that cause excitability and arousal.

Studies show the *Vesele* stimulates the entire cardiovascular system, including the arteries that lead to both the brain and penis. The extreme concentration of the ingredients combined with the accelerator ensures that this process starts quickly.

Expiring Patent Opens the Door to a New Sex Pill: *Vesele* is a new pill that cost just $1 a dose does not require a prescription. It works on both body and mind to increase arousal and erection hardness.

The sexual benefits of *Vesele* are also multiplied as its ingredients build up in the system over time. This is why many men take it every single day.

Recent Studies Show Positive Effects on Women

In the same study referenced throughout, *Vesele* was also shown to have an amazing (and somewhat surprising) effect on women too. That's because the same arteries and vessels that carry blood and oxygen to the brain and genitals are the same in men and women.

"In our most recent study, women taking *Vesele* saw a stunning 52% improvement in arousal and sex drive. Perhaps more impressive, they also experienced a 57% improvement in lubrication.

You can imagine why some couples are taking *Vesele* together. Everything feels better. Everything works better. Everyone performs better. It's truly amazing."

A New Frontier of Non-Prescription Sex Pills

With daily use, *Vesele* is helping men (and women) restore failing sex lives and overcome sexual lets downs without side effect or expense.

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Where to Find Vesele

This is the official release of *Vesele* in Pennsylvania. As such, the company is offering a special discounted supply to any reader who calls within the next 48 hours.

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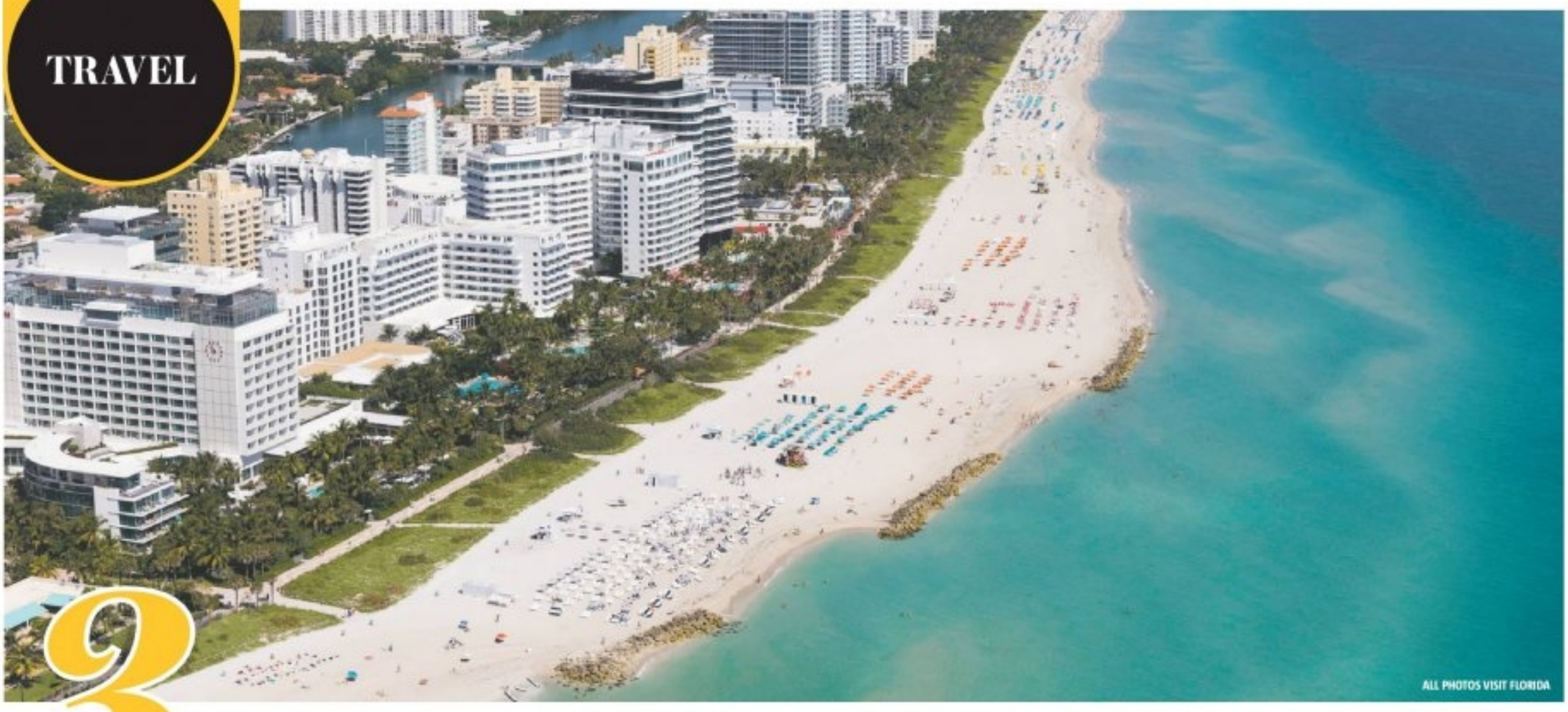

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3 Places to visit in Miami, Florida

Miami is one of Florida's — and the world's — most popular vacation spots. Here are just three reasons why, and some tips for when you visit:

Tip No. 1: "Miami" includes Miami Beach, Coral Gables, the Design District, Wynwood and a host of other places that aren't technically in the city. But they're most definitely "Miami."

Tip No. 2: You need a car. Miami (see Tip #1) sprawls over an area the size of Rhode Island.

Miami Beach

South Beach is where movie stars, millionaires, models and regular folks can get a ground-level view of Ocean Drive, the beach and the Art Deco hotels that have served as the iconic backdrop for "Miami CSI," "Miami Vice" and just about every televised sporting event in a 25-mile radius.

Every north-south street here has a distinctive flavor and is packed with restaurants and shops. East-west spots not to miss are tiny Española Way with its Mediterranean flair, and Lincoln Road, a chic, pedestrian-only mall lined with shops and eateries, most of which offer shaded outdoor eating under clusters of umbrellas. The stunning Holocaust Memorial stands a few blocks north, behind the convention center.

Explorers and culture-seekers will appreciate the central Miami Beach location of Circa 39 — just minutes from a number of craft breweries, the trendy arts district, numerous live music venues and more. In between it all, kick back at the chic, tropical pool deck, sip on a rum cocktail at WunderBar and relax in the Instagrammable WunderGarden. Only a block from Miami Beach, Circa 39 is a happy haven for upbeat travelers of the world.

Coral Gables

Classy, chic, trendy and historic all in one. The Gables is one of the oldest neighborhoods — actually, a city unto itself — where you can come for the architecture, enjoy the fine dining and stay for a stroll through some of the finest art galleries in the area.

The Biltmore Hotel's 93-foot, copper-clad tower may be the Gables' most recognizable point. It's modeled after a 12th-century Moorish tower in Seville, Spain. Everyone from Judy Garland to Al Capone has stayed there, including "Tarzan," Johnny Weissmuller. It's got a spa, a 22,000-square-foot marble swimming pool and one of the most elegant and challenging — but not daunting — golf courses around.

The Venetian Pool started as a quarry, providing the rock to build the first Coral Gables homes. City founder George Merrick fancied it up as a "Venetian" lagoon with loggias and towers, added waterfalls, a cave and "cliffs" for the kids to jump off (you, too, if you want), and opened it as the "Venetian Casino" in 1924. The 820,000-gallon pool, fed by artesian wells, is drained and refilled nightly.

Drive down just about any street to see some of the exquisitely maintained original Mediterranean Revival 1920s homes with their Old World arches and columns. Merrick's coral stone home (tours available) is on Coral Way.

Miracle Mile is the center of the shopping and fine-eating district. It's hard to go wrong here. There's cuisine from around the world. Gallery night (first Friday) brings showings of fine contemporary and Latin art, including talented new artists and Cuban art you won't find anywhere else.

Design District and Wynwood

Wynwood is best known for casual eats, including clusters of food trucks, and as the heart of the region's art scene. There are galleries galore, but no trip to South Florida is complete without a visit to the Wynwood Walls, a world-class display of graffiti by some of the top artists in the urban art field, such as Os Gemeos and Shepard Fairey.

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New documentary dives deep into sports betting culture

"Action" on Showtime gives a fascinating look at wagering on sports.

MATT BURKE

Matt Burke is a veteran sports journalist and the Founder and Editorial Director of MetroBet.

Showtime has been pumping out high-quality documentaries of late, and its latest project is focused on the culture of sports betting. "Action" will debut on the network on Sunday, March 24, at 8 p.m. to coincide with the opening weekend of March Madness.

The four-part docuseries will focus on the blending of the sometimes-shady old world of sports betting and the new legal aspect of wagering on athletic events in the United States. "Action" will follow the lives of professional sports bettors and oddsmakers throughout the 2018 NFL season, culminating with the Super Bowl, the biggest sports betting day on the American calendar.

TWEET OF THE DAY

Dave McIntire
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Do the Broncos think that if they stockpile enough back-up quality quarterbacks, they can merge them together Voltron-style to make a starting quarterback?

"The world of sports gambling has fascinated Hollywood for decades but never before has a documentary captured the essence of the industry at such a pivotal period," said Stephen Espinoza, president of Sports and Event Programming at Showtime. "Through the lens of industry professionals and real-life gamblers within every virtual layer of the business — both legal and illegal — "Action" delivers a one-of-a-kind look as sports gambling enters a brave new world."

The series will feature some of the biggest names in sports betting and mainstream sports as VSiN's Brent Musburger, legendary bookmaker Jimmy Vaccaro, FS1's "Cousin" Sal Iacono, pro gambler Bill Krackomberger and Seattle Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson will be highlighted.

"Action" also dives deep into the wagering culture as it takes a look at "touts." For those unfamiliar, touts are people who sell picks for money. Back in the day, touts were all over the horse racing scene and often picked each horse in a race to different customers — guaranteeing at least one victory. The tout would go back to the victorious customer and receive a percentage of the winning bet.

Touting is sure to resurface these days with more and more people getting interested in sports betting.

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Sports betting 101: What are 'totals'?

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When you're looking at the betting odds for totals, this is a reflection of the combined score of both teams. That means that you are looking at whether the combined score of both sides will go over or under a set number. (For that reason, this type of bet is also often called an over/under bet.) For example, the sportsbook might set the total at 66 for an Eagles game against a high-scoring opponent. This means that they predict that the two teams will score a combined total of 66 points. You will then place a wager on whether the actual combined score will be over or under that amount. If you think that one or both teams has a particularly strong offense and it will be a high-scoring affair, you would bet over. If you think it will be a defensive struggle, ending in very low scores on both or either side, then you would bet under. If the final score is something like 44-40, then the combined score would be 84, meaning the game is an over. If the final score is something like 33-32, making the combined score 65, then it is an over.

Sometimes, the combined scores will land right on the total. In our example, if the score ended up being something like 34-32, then the combined score would be 66, exactly the predicted total. This situation is called a push or a tie. In these cases, no one wins the bet, and you would simply get your money back. To avoid these situations, sportsbooks will often set the total at a half number, like 66.5. This way, if the final combined score was 66, it would be an under, and a 67 would be an over.

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Could Ernie Els make a run?

2019 Genesis Open betting preview.

BRADY KANNON

Brady Kannon is a former Hilton SuperContest champion and is VSiN's golf betting expert.

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The West Coast Swing concludes this week in beautiful Pacific Palisades, California, at historic Riviera Country Club. In three out of the last four weeks, we've seen the Tour stop at some of the most revered West Coast courses, all major championship venues: Torrey Pines, Pebble Beach and now, Riviera. What for years was known as the L.A. Open is now called the Genesis Open, and it assembles the best field we've seen in golf in 2019.

Bubba Watson is your defending champion, and he's now won here at Riviera three times in the last five renewals. The way Bubba likes to spin the ball and work his shots in all directions speaks to what is required for success at the Genesis. It is a ball-striker's course, meaning crisp, full swing shots both off of the tee and into the greens, done so with accuracy, creativity and direction control are needed in all spots around this layout. It is a Par 71 measuring over 7300 yards, but of course, a solid short game is required as well.

One additional note to consider in one's handicap is the correlation of successes in Los Angeles and at the Masters. We have seen many players win both events multiple times and many have top-notch finishes at both venues. Another part of this is that first-timers don't often perform well in either event. It takes experience and multiple rounds played to win at Riviera and at Augusta National. So adding a player that has experience and good course form at the Masters can tie into a player with the same résumé at the Genesis Open.

A favorite, contender and a long shot to win the Genesis Open

Jordan Spieth (25-1): Spieth is a Masters specialist, having never finished worse than 11th in five tries. He has played the Genesis six times and has finished top 10 twice, including ninth last year. His stats don't measure up currently, but it feels like he is close to getting back to the form we are most familiar with as he began at both Torrey Pines and Pebble Beach with hot starts, and was in contention last week at Pebble before a poor final 20 holes killed his chances. Spieth, in any tournament at 25-1, is a good price.

Charles Howell III (50-1): "Chucky Three Sticks" is off to a great start this season with a win already under his belt. He is well-rested, having not played in two weeks, and he won this event back in 2007. He finished 37th here last year and 15th in 2017. He ranks second on Tour in Ball Striking and in Greens in Regulation and has racked up five top 30 finishes at the Masters.

Ernie Els (250-1): It has been a long time since we've seen this name on any list to possibly win a golf tournament, but "The Big Easy" has quietly been playing excellent golf early this season. He has contended at Augusta many times and took 22nd just four years ago. He was 26th here in L.A. three years ago and has three top 10 finishes including a win here in 1999. He hasn't missed a cut this season and took 28th last week at Pebble Beach.

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10:00 pm	**NHL Hockey** Toronto Maple Leafs vs. Las Vegas Golden Knights	ESPN+

Daytona 500 betting preview

The 61st renewal of the Daytona 500 is set for Sunday at Daytona International Speedway in Florida. The pole sitter will be 21-year-old William Byron (20-1), who will start alongside Hendrick Motorsports teammate Alex Bowman (22-1) in this year's running of "The Great American Race." Bryon pilots the No. 24 car, while Bowman sits in the No. 88. Somewhat surprisingly, Brad Keselowski (No. 2) is the tepid race favorite at 7-1, followed by 2018 NASCAR champion and fellow Team Penske member Joey Logano (No 22) at 8-1. Keselowski's 1-for-19 record at Daytona with just two additional top five finishes does not inspire confidence. Let's investigate a little further and look for drivers offering value in NASCAR's premier event.

Kevin Harvick (11-1)
Among drivers that have at least 10 starts at Daytona, Harvick's average finish of 17.29 is third behind Austin Dillion (seeking back-to-back Daytona 500 victories) and Clint Bowyer. It's safe to say that Stewart-Haas Racing has a shot at their first Daytona 500 triumph with Harvick driving for them.

Denny Hamlin (11-1)
With a couple of solid teammates to help him draft up front, Hamlin should be in a great position to win a second Daytona 500.

Ricky Stenhouse Jr. (15-1) Stenhouse Jr. has a great record at Talladega Superspeedway, NASCAR's other restrictor plate course, with a win and three additional top 10s in his last four races there. He should get some help in the draft from 2008 Daytona 500 winner and Roush Fenway Racing teammate Ryan Newman.

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Could Vinny Curry return to the Eagles next season?

Curry signed a three-year, $23 million deal with the Buccaneers last offseason.

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After being released by the Philadelphia Eagles last offseason due to a high cap number and immediately signing with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers to a three-year deal, veteran defensive end Vinny Curry could find himself back with the Eagles next season.

The Buccaneers announced on Tuesday that they have released the 31-year-old defensive end. With the move, Tampa Bay will be saving $16.5 million in

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cap space over the next two seasons.

As previously mentioned, Curry signed a multi-year deal with the Bucs last offseason but did not produce this past season. In 12 games, he only had 21 total tackles, seven quarterback hits, five tackles for loss and 2.5 sacks.

Between the lack of production and not fitting into Tampa's 3-4 defense under new defensive coordinator Todd Bowles, it was time for both parties to mutually part ways.

With Curry now free to sign anywhere, the questions will start popping up whether he could rejoin the Eagles on a cheap deal. This offseason, we've already seen former Atlanta Falcons defensive end Brooks Reed sign a one-year, $2 million deal with the Arizona Cardinals.

Reed's stats from this past season are almost comparable to what Curry did with the Bucs. Therefore, if he is willing to take a cheap one-year deal, then you could certainly see a reunion between the two sides.

Heading into the new league year, the Eagles could lose both defensive ends Brandon Graham and Chris Long due to various circumstances.

Graham might hit the jackpot in a loaded free-agent edge rusher class, while Long is non-committal about his NFL future. With that being said, the Eagles will need some extra depth behind potential starters Derek Barnett and Michael Bennett.

In his final season with Philly, Curry started opposite of Graham and did a solid job pressuring the quarterback. The former second-round pick racked up 42 total tackles, 18 quarterback hits, 10 tackles for loss and three sacks. He also played 56.1 percent of defensive snaps, ranking third behind Fletcher Cox and Graham.

However, Philly should exhaust all of its options first and think about re-signing Long before bringing back Curry.

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Phillies ink Aaron Nola to a four-year contract extension

Last season, the 25-year-old ace finished third in the N.L. Cy Young Award voting.

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While the Philadelphia Phillies await decisions from both Bryce Harper and Manny Machado, they went ahead and locked up their ace pitcher to a long-term extension.

The Phillies announced on Wednesday that they have signed starting right-handed pitcher Aaron Nola to a four-year contract extension through the 2022 season, avoiding arbitration. The deal also includes a club option for the 2023 season.

ESPN's Jeff Passan reported that Nola's new deal will be worth $45 million. This upcoming season, the 25-year-old pitcher will receive a $2 million signing bonus, while making $4 million.

However, those numbers will increase over the next few years, as Nola will reportedly make $8 million in 2020, $11.75 million in 2021, and $15 million in 2022.

According to Passan, the Phillies offered the All-Star pitcher $4.4 million for this upcoming season during an arbitration exchange. Nola's side, however, came back to the negotiation table and wanted $5.25 million.

Nevertheless, it does not come as a surprise to see the Phillies signing the 25-year-old to a long-term deal. Last season, Nola proved not only to the Phillies, but to the rest of the baseball world that he is a Cy Young Award-caliber pitcher.

The former 2014 first-round pick had a record of 17-6 along with a career-high 224 strikeouts and an ERA of 2.37. He also had an impressive SO/9 of 9.5, which was good for eighth in the National League and a WAR (wins above replacement) of 10, which was only second behind New York Mets ace pitcher Jacob deGrom.

However, despite his career year on the mound, it was not enough to win the N.L. Cy Young Award as it went to deGrom. Nola finished third in the voting, while Max Scherzer of the Washington Nationals finished second.

With Nola now locked up for the foreseeable future, the Phillies can continue to build their rotation around the ace. Jake Arrieta, whom they signed last offseason to a three-year contract, is still under contract at least until the 2021 season, but he also has a player opt-out after this season.

After Arrieta, however, things get kind of murky in the Phillies' starting rotation. As of right now, their third, fourth and fifth starters are Nick Pivetta, Vince Velasquez and Zach Eflin.

Each of these pitchers showed flashes of potential last season but also had games where they looked like absolute train wrecks.

With that being said, if Philadelphia wants to make the postseason, they will need another 17-plus win performance from Nola, in addition to the back end of rotation holding up the end of their bargain.

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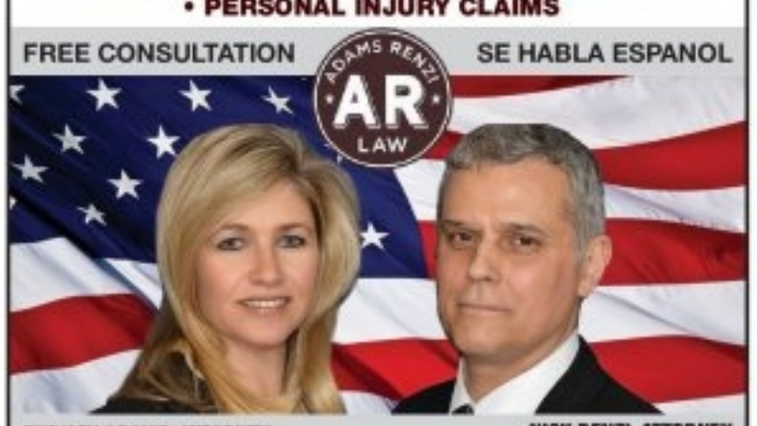

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START DATE: Monday, March 4th, 2019
APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 1st, 2019
CLASS DAYS & TIME: Monday - Friday • 8:30am - 2:45pm
CONTACT: Mrs. Council-Grant, Admissions Specialist
215.236.7700 (ext. 325)
LOCATION: 1231 N. Broad Street, 4th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19122

REQUIREMENTS:
- Must bring your **High School Diploma/Transcript or GED**
- Must bring a **Valid State ID** (school ID not permitted)
- PA/DE & NJ Residents are welcome
- Must apply at OIC **Monday - Friday from 9am - 2pm**
- TABE Testing Administered on site
- Must be able to adhere to our professional dress code policy if accepted to participate, which consists of black dress slacks or skirt, white dress shirt/blouse, black or dark color tie and blazer, black non-slip shoes (uniform starts the day of orientation)
- Must provide OIC with **three written references** at orientation (non-family members)
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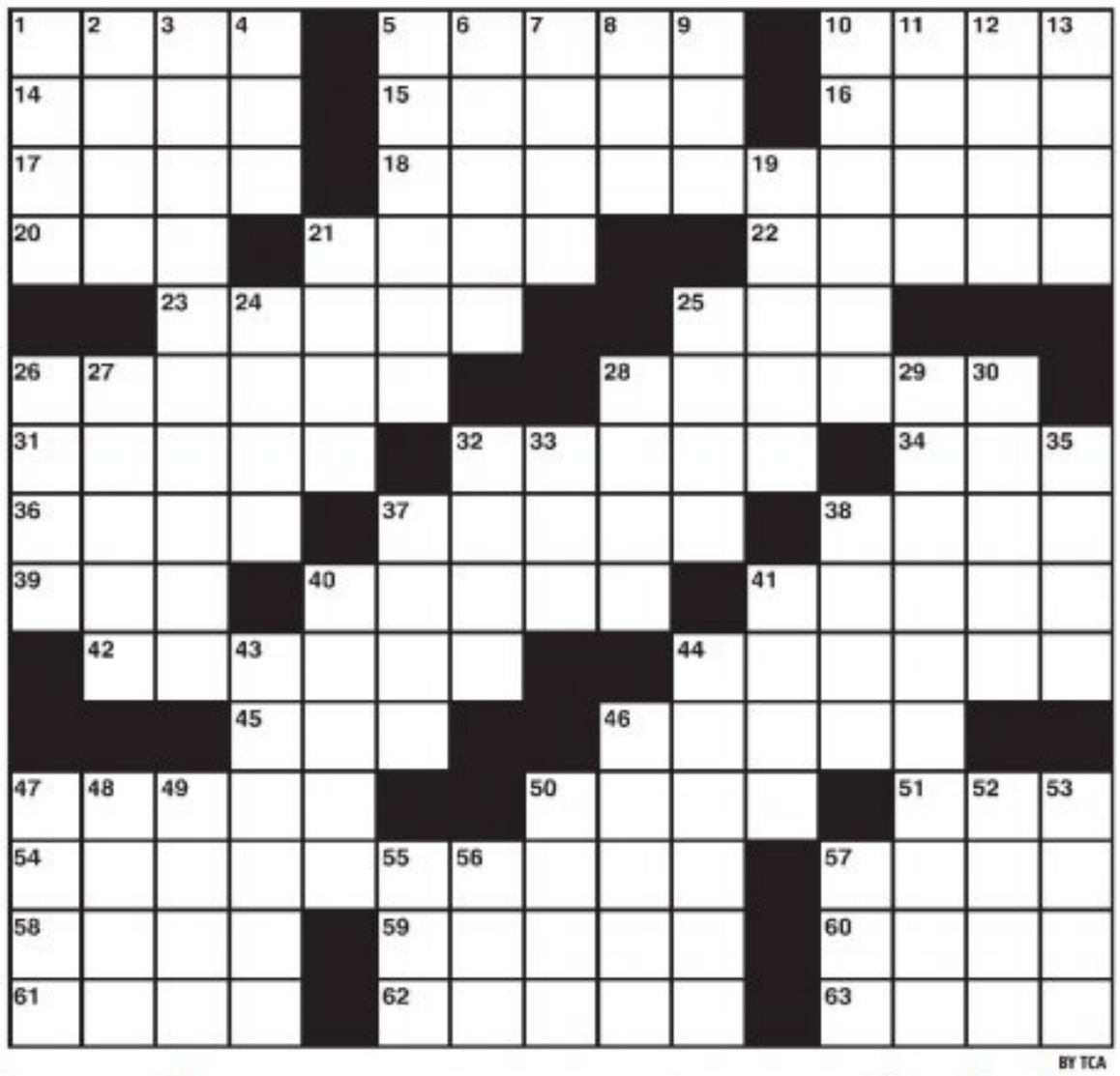
ACROSS

1 In a __; pouting
5 Biblical whale's lunch
10 Ax handle
14 Zero
15 Overdo the role
16 Bogeyman
17 __ more; again
18 Far-reaching
20 Startling word
21 11/11 honorees
22 Griffith & Garcia
23 Some women's shoes
25 Go quickly
26 Singer Britney
28 Like unexpressed anger
31 Linger
32 Short-tailed weasel
34 Capture
36 Stein beverages
37 Transparent
38 Alpha's follower
39 Big __; London landmark
40 Sparkle
41 Medium-sized dog
42 Gawked
44 Go by, as time
45 Argument
46 Terre __, IN
47 Dome-shaped home
50 Go out with
51 Major TV network
54 Cause severe & lasting anguish
57 Ladder rung
58 Fires, slangily
59 NASCAR driver
60 German man's title
61 __ Park, NY; FDR's hometown
62 __ over; faints
63 Uneasy

DOWN

1 Holier-than-thou person
2 Forbidden item
3 Speaking deliriously
4 20th letter
5 Gems
6 Fails to include
7 __ off; falls asleep
8 Suffix for consider or compassion
9 "For __ a jolly good fellow..."
10 Stinging insect
11 Grew gray
12 Become worn at the edges
13 Turner & Danson
19 "__ Your Wagon"; Broadway musical
21 Quite
24 Dumbo's "wings"
25 Listen
26 Puncture
27 Loses color
28 "Trees" or "The Road Not Taken"
29 Surprising
30 Cracker spreads
32 Lean-to
33 Soothing drink
35 Unclothed
37 Murdered
38 Yacht or tug
40 Wedding party member
41 Miserable
43 Stir up
44 Diners
46 Eye color
47 Uncomfortable skin sensation
48 Elephant's color
49 Come to shore
50 Numbered cubes
52 Titanic's downfall
53 Lively
55 Actress Joan Van __
56 Edison's monogram
57 "Murder, __ Wrote"



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Arrow
Box
Candy
Cherub
Chocolate
Cupid
Day
Flower
Gift
Heart
Love
Red
Roses
Sweet
Valentine's

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Category: Film Fusion

W	S	E	Y	
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Trace a path, using every letter once, to find the hidden phrase. Your path can turn in any direction, but not diagonally.

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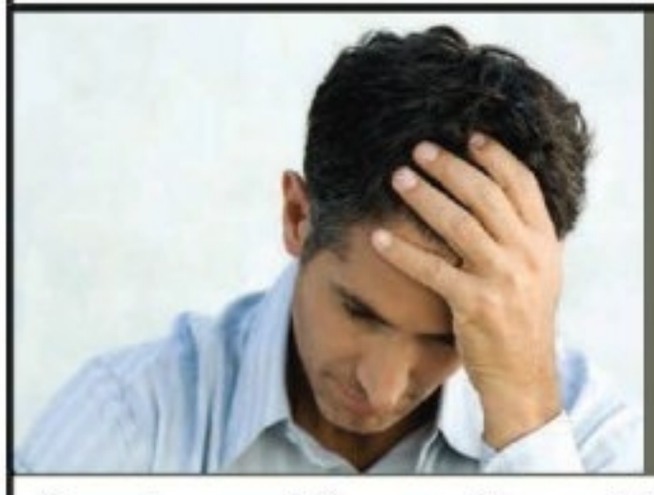

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